NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON REGULATION

Notice of Hearing for the Adoption, Amendment or Repeal of Regulations of The Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance

The State of Nevada Department of Business and Industry, Division of Insurance ("Division"), (775) 687-0700, will hold a public hearing at **1:30 p.m.**, on September **26, 2012**, at the Division's office located at 1818 East College Parkway, 1st floor hearing room, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Interested persons may also participate through a simultaneous videoconference conducted at the Bradley Building, 2501 East Sahara Avenue, 2nd floor conference room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104. The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the adoption, amendment or repeal of the regulation(s) that pertains to **chapter(s) 689** of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC").

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of Nevada Revised Statute ("NRS") 233B.0603 and the directives of the Governor:

LCB File No. R055-12. Repeal of Funeral Agent Examination.

A regulation relating to funeral services; repealing a provision requiring a certain minimum score to pass the examination for a license as an agent authorized to sell prepaid contracts for funeral services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- (1) Why is the regulation necessary and what is its purpose? The proposed regulation repeals Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") 689.010 which specifies that an applicant for a funeral agent license must take and pass a licensing exam. NAC 689.010 was effective 03-15-1984 and is now obsolete. In today's market when a funeral contract is funded by an insurance policy, the insurance policy must be sold by a licensed producer of insurance. The examination requirement extends to the individual applying for a producer license.
- (2) What are the terms or substance of the proposed regulation? The proposed amendment will remove the requirement that a funeral agent take and pass an examination.
- (3) What is the anticipated impact of the regulation on the problem(s)? The proposed amendment will remove the funeral agent examination requirement.
- (4) Do other regulations address the same problem(s)? **No.**
- (5) Are alternate forms of regulation sufficient to address the problem(s)? **No.**
- (6) What value does the regulation have to the public? The proposed amendment would repeal an obsolete reference to an examination that is no longer required.
- (7) What is the anticipated economic benefit of the regulation?

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What is the anticipated <u>adverse impact</u> , if any?			
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c.	Small 1.	Businesses Immediate: Long Term:	N/A N/A
d.	Small 1.	Communities Immediate: Long Term:	N/A N/A
e.	Govern 1. 2.	nment Entities Immediate: Long Term:	N/A N/A
What is the anticipated cost of the regulation, both direct and indirect? a. Enactment: Only LCB and workshop/hearing costs. b. Enforcement: N/A c. Compliance: N/A			

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- (10) Does the regulation establish a new fee or increase an existing fee? No.
- (11) Provide a statement which identifies the methods used by the agency in determining the impact of the proposed regulation on a small business, prepared pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 233B.0608. There is no impact on small business.
- (12) Provide a description of any regulations of other state or local governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates, and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, state the name of the regulating federal agency. **N/A**
- (13) If the regulation is required pursuant to federal law, provide a citation and description of the federal law. **N/A**
- (14) If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, provide a summary of such provisions. **N/A**

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Division may appear at the scheduled public hearing or may address their comments, data, views or arguments, in written form, to the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. Written submissions must be received by the Division on or before September 10, 2012. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Division may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulation will be on file at the State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the regulation will be available at the offices of the Division, 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, and 2501 East Sahara Avenue, Suite 302, Las Vegas, Nevada 89104, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653, and on the Internet at http://leg.state.nv.us/register/. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if it is deemed necessary. This does not apply to a public body subject to the Open Meeting Law.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Notice of the hearing was provided via electronic means to all persons on the agency's e-mail list for administrative regulations, and this Notice of Intent to Act Upon Regulation was posted to the agency's Internet Web site at http://doi.nv.gov/ and was provided to or posted at the following locations:

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Capitol Press Room Capitol Building Basement Carson City, NV 89710

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Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the hearing are requested to notify the Commissioner's secretary in writing at 1818 East College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706, or by calling (775) 687-0700, no later than five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

DATED this 7th day of August, 2012.

Commissioner of Insurance